



LTC Mark R. Read

Lieutenant Colonel Mark R. Read was commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the Infantry upon graduation from the U.S. Military Academy, West Point, in 1992 with a Bachelor Science in Environmental Engineering. His military education includes the Infantry Officer Basic Course, the U.S. Marine Corps Amphibious Warfare School, Combined Arms and Services Staff School, and the Command and General Staff College. Lieutenant Colonel Read holds a Master of Science in Geography from The Pennsylvania State University.

His past assignments include Scout Platoon Leader, K Troop, and Support Platoon Leader, 3rd Squadron, 2nd Cavalry Regiment, Ft. Polk, Louisiana; Rifle Platoon Leader, C Company and Executive Officer, Honor Guard Company, 3d Infantry Regiment (The Old Guard), Ft. Myer, Virginia; Infantry Operations Officer, Grafenwoehr Training Area, Germany; Regimental Plans Officer and Commander, A Company, 1st Battalion, 4th Infantry Regiment, Hohenfels, Germany; Assistant Professor and Department Executive Officer, Department of Geography and Environmental Engineering, West Point, New York; Operations Officer and Executive Officer, 3rd Squadron, 2nd Stryker Cavalry Regiment, Vilseck, Germany and Operation Iraqi Freedom, Iraq.

Lieutenant Colonel Read's awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal, the Army Commendation Medal, the Joint Service Achievement Medal, the Army Achievement Medal, the Combat Infantryman Badge, and the Expert Infantryman Badge. He is a graduate of Ranger School, Airborne School, Air Assault School, the Bradley Leaders Course, and the Infantry Mortar Leader Course.